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an editorial

THE NATION AND THE ANTI-NAZI BILL

Almost seven years ago, when The Canadian Jewish News had been first to propose legal steps against the dissemination of group hatred and for the outlawing of genocide propaganda, we were aware that on this continent such an idea might provoke opposition among certain circles.

We do not refer in this instance to those who enjoy the dance macabre of the neo-Nazi scum. We mean those in the community, outstanding men, persons of highest integrity, profound believers in democracy — particularly in the legal profession and in journalism —, who dread such limitations would impair in general the atmosphere of free speech. We respect the opinion of these dissenters. However, though we believe they are wrong, theirs is an honest error and such position should be debated without offending those who do not see the need for placing neo-Nazi and anti-semitic propaganda outside the law.

Now that this movement for outlawing the genocide appeal in Canada has reached the Senate of this nation, these honest dissenters are mobilizing their forces to defeat this initiative. They forget that such laws already exist in the most civilized and most democratic countries of Europe.

In fact, in some Scandinavian countries and in the Low Lands they antedate World War II. In those fortresses of democracy, group libel is punished, as is individual libel.

Moreover, in our opinion, as we have stressed upon another occasion, the adopting of measures against neo-Nazis is merely an equation of the law. Yes, to elucidate further, an almost mathematical term can be applied in this case when calling upon the Government and the lawmaking bodies of the nation to bring up to date the statutes so that they do not demonstrate equanimity to those who would destroy our society.

It is a matter of equation and not, as some would have it, an infringement upon free speech.

Remarkable, how some in their zeal would hold onto the Victorian and fin de siècle inadequacies in the field of group libel — forgetting everything that happened in the last twenty-five years, even ignoring the neo-Nazi Internationale which this week began raising its ugly head in a part of Germany — while they urged simultaneously the updating, the aggiornamento of Canadian politics.

For example, The Globe and Mail, a respected newspaper, published side by side on Tuesday a cartoon depicting the lack of our desire to do away with Victorian politics ("Do you want to go back to the good old days?") and an editorial defending sanctimoniously free speech for the Nazis.

Paraphrasing Charles Peguy: those who err most are those who err honestly.

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SPEAKERS AT CJC CONFERENCE

record attendance expected

CONGRESS MEET TO DISCUSS VITAL COMMUNITY ISSUES

A record attendance of Toronto Jewish community leaders is indicated for the 20th Regional Conference of Canadian Jewish Congress taking place in Toronto this month.

Delegate elections now proceeding show that some 400 or more delegates from Toronto and Regional communities will be taking part in the two-day assembly to be held at Toronto's Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue starting Saturday night November 26 and continuing all day Sunday, November 27.

Featuring outstanding speakers and full discussion opportunities for participants, the Conference -- geared to the slogan "Agenda for Action 1967" -- will place primary emphasis on topical issues of Jewish life in Ontario and Canada, according to the announcement by Meyer W. Gasner, regional chairman and Sheldon Kert, chairman of the Conference Arrangements Committee.

Conference highlights will include the principle address by Dr. Joachim Prinz, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of American Jewish Organizations, who will address the banquet Sunday night.

A hard-hitting address on national issues and perspectives by Saul Hayes, Q.C., Congress' National Executive Vice-President, at the luncheon session Sunday, serving as a keynote for what is expected to be a lively controversial delegate discussion on the place of Congress in the national and local community.

The opening plenary session Saturday night, "The Identity Crisis in our Jewish Life," featuring presentations and exchanges by Dr. Ben Lappin, scholar and writer, professor of the School of Social Work, University of Toronto: Dr. Earl Berger, well-known commentator, and Melvin Fenson, editor of The Israelite Press of Winnipeg.

A special session for Toronto delegates on Sunday morning on "The Toronto Jewish Community: New Dimensions - New Directions," aimed at giving the representatives of all sectors of Toronto Jewry an opportunity to make their views known.

A plenary session on the Community Relations issues which have been in the forefront of community concern, featuring a report by J. Sydney Midanik, chairman of the Regional Joint Community Relations Committee of Congress and B'nai B'rith, again with ample opportunity for delegate participation.

Special simultaneous "Community Action Sessions" Sunday morning for delegates from the Regional communities, dealing with the topics: "The Effective Functioning of the Smaller Community," "Education and Culture in a Living Community," "The Religious Welfare of the Smaller Community."

• Commentary •

By M. J. Nurenberger

SCANDAL IN OTTAWA

Ever since September 12th, when the West German magazine, Der Spiegel, revealed the trial and execution in Holland of two anti-Nazis by a German war prisoners' tribunal (and with the acquiescence of Canadian army authorities), I cannot help but visualize the faces of the victims: Bruno Dorfer and Rainer Beck.

Apparently some effort is being made here to suppress this long forgotten "judicial error" and the European press is not inclined to remain silent. The way this new cause celebre is being treated here has us wondering, who is interested in burying this scandal.

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Both Dorfer and Beck were non-Jews though one of them is said to have been of "partially" Jewish extraction — according to Hitler's racial laws. Yet we do know they were Germans, anti-Nazi fighters, hiding from the wrath of the Nazi commissars and hoping for an Allied victory which would reestablish a free, liberal, democratic Germany.

Like some characters in Kafka's novels or Hasek's Soldier Swejk, they must have been more perplexed than physically hurt by the bullets that struck them after liberation. In their last moments, they must have thought all this a nightmare or that their dream of ever defeating Hitler had blinded them. For could it have been possible for Canadian officers to have permitted Nazis in a German prisoners-of-war-camp to mete out justice by bullets with Canadian guns?

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More than the embarrassment, caused by the very fact that in 1945 after the German surrender such an incident could have occured, is the attitude of some circles in Ottawa, to squash this case as something passé — to be erased from the records and forgotten. Yet those officials wanting to obliterate this event should remember that the blood of innocent victims always has been permeated with a kind of chemical ingredient that demands reckoning and payment for crime. It is as the blood of prophet Zacharia that clamors for justice.

Justice may be tempered with, sometimes ignored. However a point is reached finally where it must be taken into consideration.

The deepest humiliation will occur when West German judges take up the case and try those Germans, who can be located, who participated in this crime. Documents will be demanded from Canada; testimony will be required.

Then will we be in a position to ignore this case?

Canadian anti-nazi law soon

5 YEARS FOR SPREADING HATRED

DR. ROSENBERG TO ADDRESS THE GODFREY J.N.F. NEGEV DINNER

Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, prominent Canadian rabbi and spiritual leader of Toronto's Beth Tzedec Congregation, will be the guest speaker at this year's Negev Dinner which takes place at the Royal York Hotel, Wednesday evening, November 30th.

Bert Godfrey, one of the most popular leaders of Toronto's Jewish community and a former president of Beth Tzedec, will be honored at this event of the year of the Jewish National Fund. Mr. Godfrey has been chosen as the honoree of this year's Negev Dinner because of his exemplary service to all Jewish and general philanthropic causes. He especially was active in the State of Israel Bonds which organization he headed with distinction, and has been in the forefront for almost thirty years in the most vital Jewish community endeavors.

Among those heading this year's Negev committee are: Nathan Hurwich, chairman of the Jewish National Fund, Toronto Region; Manny Rotman, chairman, Ontario Region, Jewish National Fund; Frank Godfrey, associate chairman, Negev Dinner.

Open house at new Beth Jacob School

Toronto's new Beth Jacob High School for girls will open on November 20th with an "Open House." The new, impressive and most modern Jewish school building at 410 Lawrence Avenue West (2 blocks east of Bathurst) will be open to the public on Sunday November 20th, from two to five p.m.

The Board of Governors of Beth Jacob also announces that the Dedication Dinner will take place on December 13th.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION: THE MAIN FEATURES

The "Canadian Press" reports:

- The new legislation introduced in the Senate by Government Leader John J. Connolly contains the following essential provisions.
- Anyone advocating or promoting genocide would be liable to imprisonment for five years. This would outlaw the advocacy of measures designed to destroy in whole or in part "any group of persons." These acts include murder, seriously bodily harm, imposing measures to prevent births and forcibly transferring children of the group to another group.
- Anyone inciting hatred or contempt against any identifiable group in any public place, where such incitement is likely to lead to a breach of the peace, would be liable to imprisonment for two years or less.
- Anyone who wilfully promotes hatred or contempt against any identifiable group by communicating written or spoken statements, signs or gestures is liable to two years' imprisonment or less.
- Courts would be empowered to seize any literature found to promote group hatred or genocide.
- To protect freedom of expression, the legislation provides that no one can be convicted of wilfully promoting hatred if his statements are true or if he believes them to be true and relevant to the public interest.
- The term identifiable group is defined as "any section of the public distinguished by color, race or ethnic origin."

senate debating criminal code

by Beverley Morin
CJN Correspondent

Ottawa (Special) - The revival of international neo-Nazi strength, as shown Sunday in the elections of the German province (state) of Hesse, may give impetus to those in the Canadian Senate when taking a decision about the government proposal providing new, stiff legislation to stop group hate propaganda here.

The new legislation, which provides up to five years for public incitement in the area of racial and ethnic group agitation, was presented to the Senate by Government leader John J. Connelly. The debate began on Wednesday.

Two Parliament members, Mr. James Walker of York Center, and Milton Klein of Cartier Montreal, the original sponsors of a law against Nazi propaganda, have expressed satisfaction that finally the recommendations submitted by Dr. Maxwell Cohen's committee are about to become law.

Mr. Klein, M.P., mentioned the fact that The Canadian Jewish News was the first newspaper to place this problem before the nation "eloquently and courageously."

The general opinion is that very soon the legislation against hate propaganda will be on the statutes of Canada.

Following the debate, the new amendments to the Criminal Code probably will go to a joint committee of Senators and Members of Parliament; then to the House of Commons. It is generally acknowledged here that the fact it was presented to the Senate will accelerate procedure.

There are three new sections proposed as amendments to the Criminal Code dealing with public incitement of hatred against racial and ethnic groups.

Courts would have the power to confiscate hate literature and pronounce jail terms up to five years.

Sources close to international developments state that there definitely is a worldwide underground conspiracy led by former Nazis and neo-Nazis.

IS YIDDISH A "SOVIET LANGUAGE"?

London, (JCNS) Yiddish is a Soviet language, according to the Soviet Academy of Science, which has just published a series of monographs on the languages of the U.S.S.R.

The work is designed to commemorate the 1917 Revolution, the 50th anniversary of which falls next year.

The first volume, "Indo-European Languages," includes monographs on two Jewish languages - Yiddish and Tat. The latter is spoken by the Mountain Jews of Daghestan and Azerbaijan.

The introduction to the work explains that the languages dealt with were chosen because they fall into one of three categories.

They are those spoken by nations with republics within the Soviet Union, such as Russians, Ukrainians, Latvians and so on; by nations with autonomous republics; or by nations which have autonomous regions. The Jews came into this last category, because they have the so-called Jewish autonomous region of Birobidjan.

Indeed, the Jews are shown as being the largest group to have an autonomous region - 2,268,000, or 93 per cent of the total in this category.

On the other hand, Polish, Hungarian, German and Bulgarian, although spoken by millions of people living within the borders of the Soviet Union, are excluded from the monographs.

Paradoxically, all these minority groups have their own schools and newspapers, while the Jews have no Yiddish schools or newspaper.

The monograph on Yiddish is some 30 pages in length, and was written by Eli Falkovich, an outstanding Yiddish linguist, who wrote a textbook for use in the Soviet Yiddish primary and secondary schools which existed in the thirties.

During the war, he was decorated for bravery several times; he participated in the activities of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee. Between 1949 and 1953, he was imprisoned in a labour camp, like many other Jewish intellectuals under Stalin.

The monograph on Tat is by A. G. Grunberg, a well-known Jewish scholar. He says that the language is not spoken exclusively by Mountain Jews. Azerbaijani Moslems and Armenian Christians also speak it. However, he adds, it is only the Jews who have created a body of literature in Tat.

VERGELIS TO ROME

Rome, (JCNS) Aron Vergelis, the editor of the Moscow monthly "Sovietish Haymand" is expected to visit Rome in the near future, according to Soviet sources here.

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MONTREAL — NAZI BREEDING GROUND

Montreal - Toronto may be the headquarters of Canadian Nazis so far as the headlines are concerned, but Montreal isn't far behind as a potential breeding ground of the hate philosophy.

This was the view expressed by John Garrity, an undercover agent, who infiltrated the Canadian Nazi Party on behalf of the Canadian Jewish Congress. Garrity, a professional private detective, gave his impressions gathered from 16 months as a Nazi at a press conference following a meeting with the C.J.C.'s Montreal branch.

"The only thing Montreal lacks is somebody willing to put on a uniform, wear a swastika armband and go out and make a speech," he said.

Garrity also revealed that a second Canadian Nazi Party exists in Montreal which is feuding currently with the Toronto group for recognition by the World Union of National Socialists.

He also produced the names of Montreal residents who have contributed to George Lincoln Rockwell's American Nazi Party. He took a list of 600 Canadian contributors from one sent to the Toronto headquarters by Rockwell.

ROW IN NEW YORK OVER UNITY DINNER

New York, (CJN) Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg upheld the right of dissent from the Government's foreign policy and said such dissent "can only benefit"

"Free debate and discussion obviously must be keystones of that policy, and the right to participate in them must not be limited only to voices that agree."

"The price of our freedom," Mr. Goldberg asserted at the 40th anniversary dinner of the Synagogue Council of America at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Sunday, "includes that of criticizing our elected officials and of disagreeing with their policies -- and I should add, those of our appointed officials, too."

Mr. Goldberg referred to his recent meeting with leaders of national Jewish groups following reports that President Johnson had related American help for Israel with Jewish support for the Administration's Vietnam policy.

THREE LEADERS HONORED

The Synagogue Council, a representative body of six rabinical and congregational organizations of Judaism, honored the heads of three leading rabbinical seminaries.

They included Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University and of its Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, Orthodox; Dr. Louis Finkelstein, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Conservative; and Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion.

Rabbi Seymour J. Cohen, president of the council, hailed the appearance of the three heads of the seminaries as a "historic milestone in the quest for Jewish unity."

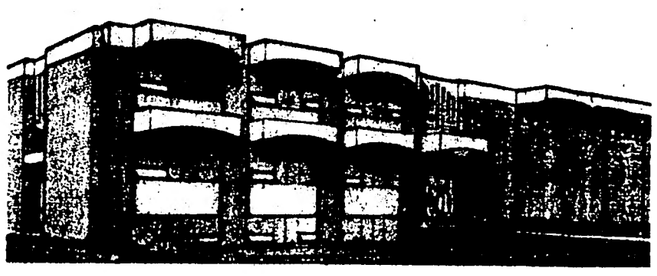
However, the joint appearance of the three leaders on the same platform was strongly protested in a statement by four leaders of Orthodox seminaries.

The statement, addressed to Orthodox students and worshipers said:

"It is superfluous for us to spell out to you the appalling character of this severe breach of Torah-law and the enormous catastrophe which is inherent in this fatal partnership."

It was signed by Rabbi Yaakov Kamenetzky, dean of Mesifta Torah V'Daath; Rabbi Yaakov I. Ruderman, dean of the Ner Israel Rabbinical College, Rabbi Yitzchok Hutner, president and dean of Mesifta Chaim Berlin, and Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, dean of Mesifta Tifereth Jerusalem.

The four institutions are prominently identified with Orthodox Judaism.



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AID TO LATINS

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Israel is to expand her technical assistance to Latin American countries and may also co-operate with the Scandinavian countries, Holland and Spain in a joint aid program in the area.

This has emerged from two sets of talks here last week. The first, between Dr. Jose Mora, the secretary-general of the Organisation of American States, accompanied by his assistant, Dr. Carlos Sanz, and Israeli Ministers, including Mr. Abba Eban, the Foreign Minister, resulted in a joint communique looking to further expansion of the joint Israeli-O.A.S. programs and their extension into the fields of pure and applied science and cultural affairs.

The other talks were between an O.A.S. delegation, led by the organisation's assistant secretary for economic and social affairs, Dr. Walter Sedlitz, and Israeli officials.

TO APPEAR AT PIONEER WOMEN EVENT

Phil Lind, one of America's most versatile singers and entertainers of stage, screen and television, will be the guest artist when Pioneer Women and the State of Isreal Bonds join in an impressive Tribute Evening to Dora Israelson on Sunday, November 13th. The dinner will be held in the Empress Room of the Park Plaza Hotel.

Mrs. Israelson is currently serving her second term as chairman of the Women's Division of the Greater Toronto Committee for State of Israel Bonds.

Moscow Denies Egypt Base

London (JCNS) - A British newspaper report that the Soviet Union was putting pressure on Egypt to permit the establishment of a Russian naval base on its territory, has been denied by the Foreign Ministry in Moscow.

The purpose of the report, said a Kremlin spokesman, was to justify the presence of Western war bases on foreign territory. Russia's position on the question of foreign bases on alien territories was "well known".

Salisbury Rabbi to Retire

Salisbury (JCNS) - Rabbi M. Konviser, senior rabbi of the Salisbury Hebrew Congregation, is to retire from his present office in March after 32 years as a rabbi in Rhodesia.

At the invitation of the Ministry of African Education in Salisbury, Rabbi Konviser addressed students and distributed the prizes at the speech day of the Highfield African Secondary School.

Canadian Honoured in Miami

Canadian born Michael Sossin, Executive Director of Miami Beach's Famed Blackstone Retirement residence and founder of New Shalom Convalescent Center, has been honored with his selection by Sunshine State Senior Citizen Magazine, Florida's oldest and largest publication for seniors, as 1966 "Man of the Year."

The Magazine cited Sossin for his "dedicated service to the mental, physical, economic and social welfare of Florida's Senior Citizens" and for "his years of participation in the civic, religious, economic and political life of Miami Beach."

At ceremonies held at the Blackstone, November 1, Magazine editor Arthur Beckerman presented Sossin with a plaque.

Long a powerful force in the national program of Senior Citizens, Sossin, who holds an LL.D. degree in social gerontogoly from Bethune-Cookman College, is on the National Advisory Board of the National Council of Senior Citizens, is a member of the Florida commission on aging and is a recognized leader in Miami Beach and Florida Senior Citizen activities.

An active member and officer in over thirty five civic, fraternal, religious and service clubs, Michael Sossin is currently serving as secretary of the Miami Beach executive club. He is a past president of B'nai B'rith, past president of Temple Emanu-El, past president of the humane society of Dade County. He is loved and respected throughout his adopted State.

Quoting from the story which accompanied the award, Sunshine State Senior Citizen Magazine said:

"No man ever asked a favor with less offence, or conferred one with a better grace. When he gave, it was without assumption, when he received, it was with dignity and honor."

Michael Sossin, LL.D., "Man of the Year", proudly holds award plaque now on display at his Blackstone Retirement Residence. He is nationally known throughout the United States for his work with older people.

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Election Day is MONDAY, DEC. 5th, 1966. Polls will be open from 10 A.M. to 8 P.M.

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H. F. ATYEO, P. Eng.
Commissioner of Streets.

At The United Nations:

LIBERIAN SOLUTION

New York (JCNS) - The United Nations should purchase "an area of land" on which to resettle the Arab refugees, it was suggested this week by Liberia's representative in the Special Political Committee.

Such a move, declared Dr. T.O. Dosomu Johnson, who is also adviser on African affairs to his President, Mr. Tubman, would ease the position of the Arab "host" governments and could be implemented pending a political settlement of the problem.

In a deeply religious address liberally sprinkled with Biblical quotations, Dr. Johnson called for direct negotiations between the Arabs and Israel, and upheld the inalienable right of the Jews to the territory of the Jewish State.

He rejected the Arab contention that the Jews are interlopers in the Middle East, declaring:

"If I am to be convinced of that, I would have to be convinced that my Bible is wrong, that the Jews did not live there before the Arab conquest, and that Jesus was not born in Bethlehem". For him to believe all that was manifestly impossible.

Not only the Arabs should seek peace in the Middle East, but all Afro-Asians should work towards it, Dr. Johnson continued. It was "unfair competition" for the Arab States to combine against "one small, tiny State".

On the question of anti-semitism, which had followed the Jews throughout their long dispersion, Dr. Johnson said that it was "a disease of the spirit, contaminating Christians". Every time he read about the holocaust, "tears run from my eyes".

The Arab refugees were human beings and deserved alleviation of their lot, but "the Jews were also entitled to live in peace and tranquillity in the land of their ancestors". Dr. Johnson said.

In a long harangue following Dr. Johnson's speech, the leader of the Palestine Arab delegation, Emile al Ghoury, said that there was "an American Zionist plot to liquidate the Palestine problem".

If Syria was arming the El Fatah (terrorist) organisation, she deserved "the praise of the entire Arab world". The U.N. Emergency Force and the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Arab refugees were "tools of the West. They serve Zionist interests", he concluded.

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DEPOSITING OF WREATHS ON THE CENOTAPH

Wreaths will be dedicated at 10.30 o'clock a.m. inside the Old City Hall, main entrance – enter James Street Door.

Employers are urged respectfully to allow ex-service personnel in their employ to participate in the observance of this National Remembrance Day.

C. Edgar Norris,
City Clerk.

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by our travel editor

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TEL AVIV OF NORTH AMERICA

To the Jewish winter vacationer, Miami Beach has an additional appeal. It is one of the famous communities on the North American continent. Its shoreline is called the Tel Aviv of North America, but it is bigger and more majestic in appearance than any beach in the world today.

Hundreds of hotels welcome the visitor. Some are among the largest in the world. In fact, in the winter season all Jewish activities and conventions move from Montreal, Toronto, New York and Chicago to the benign climate of southern Florida. There is no problem obtaining a kosher meal or a typical bagel and lox snack at two in the morning. Yiddish theater and movies abound.

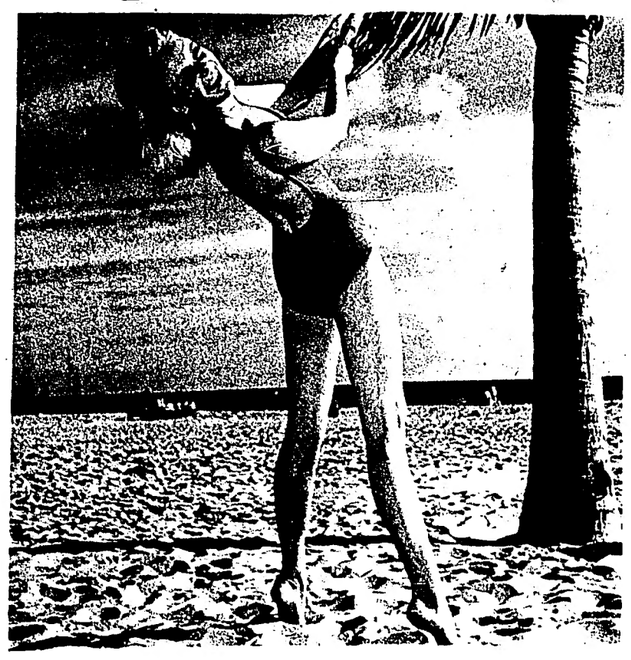
For the sophisticated, the nightclubs are the most exciting imaginable. For the sportsman there is fabulous fishing both in salt and fresh water. The visiting angler will find it very easy to locate a spot to fish. For Florida has more than 30,000 lakes, 166 fresh water rivers and mile after mile of tidal coastline.

Vacationers may board party fishing boats for a day on the Gulf of Mexico or the Atlantic Ocean at a very nominal price which includes bait and tackle.

HAVEN FOR RETIRED

Pier fishing is especially popular in Florida. There is no license required for fishing in salt water. Fresh water fishing does require a license which can be obtained at most tackle shops.

For the elderly and retired, the climate, environment, social life and opportunities to relax are unparalleled. Wherever one goes, the graceful silhouette of palm fronds against a sunny sky is there to enjoy.



HI, MIAMI BEACH CALLING!
Lanita Kent swings on a friendly palm frond on the sands of Miami Beach. Swimming, fishing, sailing, golf and other outdoor summer sports now are in season at the sub-tropic Florida holiday city.
Special Canadian Jewish News photo from Miami Beach News Bureau.

HOTELS POPULAR WITH CANADIANS

Some hotels are especially popular with Canadians, beginning with the ultra-chic and extremely elegant Fontainbleau to many others - also elegant and providing beach facilities on their premises - such as, the Sterling (strictly kosher and very modern), Royal Palm Hotel, Ritz Plaza, Sharon Hotel, Algiers, Sagamore, South Seas Hotel. All these provide first class accommodations only, and the best cuisine.

For the retired, Miami has one of the most up-to-date homes on the continent: Blackstone's Residence for retired citizens, directed by top expert Dr. Michael Sossin.

WASHINGTON ACTS ON ARAB BOYCOTT

Washington, (JCNS) - After years of loosely equating defensive measures which Israel has been forced to take against the Arab boycott, with the boycott itself the United States Department of Commerce has amended its regulations and removed phrases particularly offensive to Israel.

Last year Congress approved a Bill sponsored by Senators Jacob K. Javits and Harrison Williams which put the United States on record as opposing the Arab boycott and required exporters to notify the Department of Commerce if they received any boycott questionnaires or inquiries.

But the regulations promulgated by the Department after the Bill was passed did not differentiate between the boycott and Israel's defensive measures against it.

After protests by the two Senators the Department has now ruled that exporters who receive requests for action or information designed only to avoid the risk of confiscation of their goods and to ensure the safe arrival of consignments, need no longer report these to the Department of Commerce.

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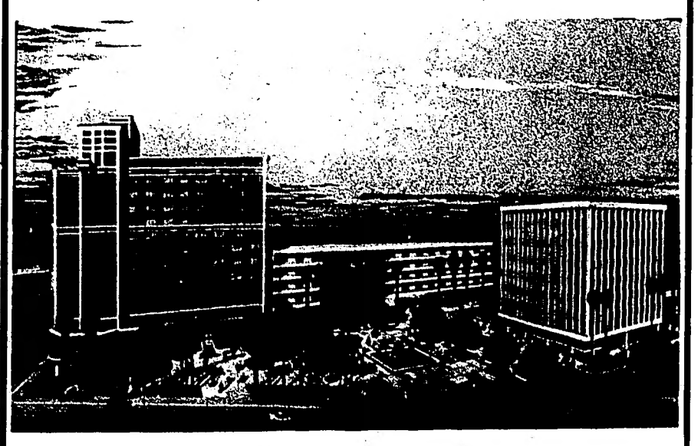

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Toronto's Guest

ABBA KHOUSHY

At the State of Israel Bonds Dinner next Thursday, at Holy Blossom Temple the Toronto community will welcome one of the truly great pioneers and builders of modern Israel. He is Abba Khoushy, the dynamic, perennially young mayor of Haifa, Israel's most modern city.

Abba Khoushy, who as a young man left his native Polish-Galicia to become an ordinary laborer in the land of Israel, has risen from the ranks to be one of the leading personalities in his country's labor movement; he probably is the most expert city administrator in that land.

Koushy is a party man — a convinced, dedicated, democratic Socialist, a profound believer in both social and political democracy. He is a partisan very much dedicated to Mapai, his party. Yet he has no enemies, only opponents. Friend and foe alike admire his dedication and his doing what he preaches.

Abba Khoushy is known and popular especially among the Arab minority. For he is the first man in Israel who decades ago organized successfully Arab workers into trade unions and called upon the Jewish comrades to accept them as equals. Last but not least, he has helped make Haifa what it is today, a beautiful, modern metropolis.

The Solution

RELIGION IN SCHOOLS

The Ontario Education Association's new brief to a government committee concerning a non-denominational instruction in religion in the public school seems to us entirely irrelevant to the basic issue.

No one questions the sincerity of those in this Association who propose a religious program of instruction which would include the Old and New Testament with the meditations of the Buddha, combined with the Revelations of Mohammed and the wisdom of Confucius.

However, in our opinion such a course in religion would contribute more in dividing the community behind instruction in religion than in uniting it.

We are at a loss to understand how religion in public school can be taught objectively by a believer; how one can reconcile, for example, the Jewish loyalty to Torah and to the Old Testament with the Catholic preference for the New Testament; how young children can be taught to discover the very thin line between religion as a civilization and religious practices.

We are convinced that this new program will be rejected by those to whom religious education has a profound meaning. If religion must be taught, it should be within the communities that practise a specific religion in the specific religious schools. The time for a universal religion is not yet here.

The Task Ahead

JUDAISM FOR JEWS

In an important address before the National Canadian Synagogue Conference of the Conservative United Synagogue recently held in Toronto, Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, one of the leading interpreters of Conservative Judaism, made several points deserving special attention.

Rabbi Rosenberg believes that the time is here when non-Jewish society is willing to listen to the Jews. The problem, according to the distinguished rabbi, is "what are Jews prepared to say?"

Dr. Rosenberg then said that Canada is a multi-cultured country, not a secular democratic state. He stressed the fact that in this country the democratic traditions are based upon spiritual, religious values common to Jews, Catholics and Protestants. "Each of these groups lives its own unique version of the Canadian civilization" and "all of them together are equal partners . . . in this spiritual and political democracy."

Thus, said the Rabbi, the Jews should not consider themselves an "ethnic immigrant group."

The Rabbi suggests that we make use of radio and TV to expound the Jewish viewpoint and interpret Judaism.

We certainly agree with the point of view that Jews in North America should cease considering themselves an ethnic or racial minority. As we pointed out upon many an occasion, ours is a community of faith established upon belief in the essence of the Torah. But because of that, it seems to us that before we become the messengers of Judaism to the non-Jewish world — and we do agree that society should be informed about Jews and Jewishness — our predominant task is to teach Judaism first to the Jews themselves.

the seven days

YUGOSLAVIA

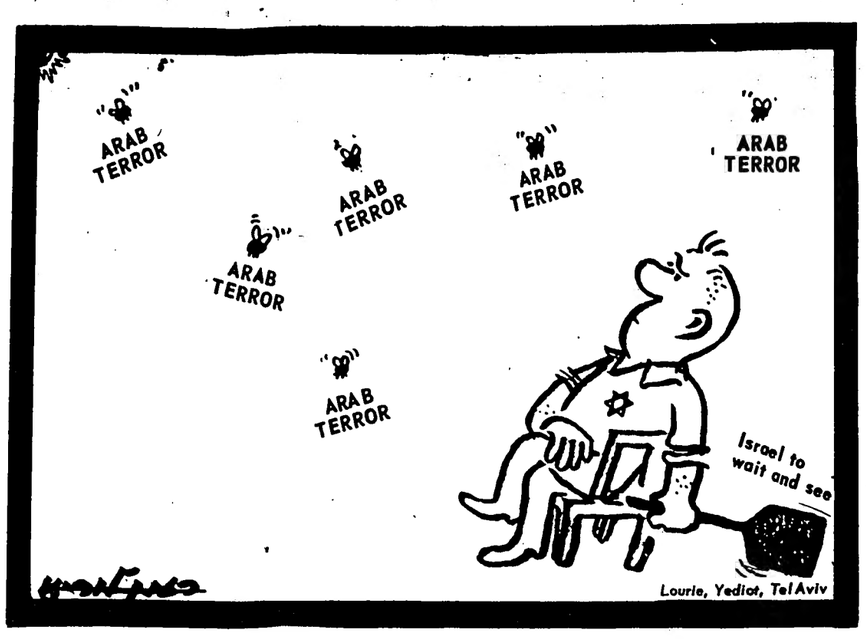
London, (JCNS) The Jews of Yugoslavia, now numbering some 6,500, enjoy incomparably greater freedom today than the community of about 80,000 did before the war, said Rabbi Dr. Solomon Goan, the Haham of the Spanish and Portugese Synagogue, in an interview with the JCNS this week.

Dr. Gaon, who was himself born in Sarajevo, had just returned, with Mrs. Gaon, from his first visit to Yugoslavia since 1937, where they had attended the celebrations making the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Sephardi Jews in Sarajevo.

In pre-war Yugoslavia, Dr. Gaon stated, high positions in the Army, public service, and academic life were barred to Jews, but today there were many Jews among the leaders in those fields. The Jewish community was being fully maintained, and although religious teaching was not encouraged by the Communist Government, it was tolerated. The community maintained several synagogues, with financial assistance from the Government. It had organised regular lectures on history and cultural matters and had a number of choral groups of a high standard.

Dr. Gaon was, however, pessimistic about the future of Jewish life in Yugoslavia. There was a grave shortage of spiritual leaders and educationists, and although the Government would welcome foreigners who might wish to take up such positions, there were no candidates.

In any event, Dr. Gaon concluded, many people in Yugoslavia believed that the majority of the younger generation would emigrate to Israel sooner or later, because they would prefer to live in, and be part of a large Jewish community.



Israel to the United Nations: If you can wait, so can I...

Letters To The Editor

SOVIET RUSSIA'S 104th VETO AT THE U.N.

Dear Editor:

Russia finally made use of its 104th veto at the United Nations Security Council. It supported the most chauvinistic, most reactionary and most bloodthirsty regimes in the Arab world against embattled Israel.

Again the fellow travelers tell us that the Soviet Union did vote for Syria and opposed condemning her as agressor (on Friday, November 4th) because of her political interests in the Middle East and not because of any enmity towards Israel.

How long will we tolerate in our midst such fellow-traveling? As you pointed out editorially some time ago, would the victims of a Soviet-backed attack against Israel console themselves with the platonic Russian speeches against antisemitism?

I should like to ask publicly Zionist leaders: who is behind this silence which prevents the Jews and non-Jewish friends of Israel from accusing publicly Russia of its part in the conspiracy against the Jewish state? Stand up, Zionist leaders, and answer!

Toronto

Abraham Jacobowitz

AUSTRIA REVISITED

A NATIVE SON RETURNS AND FINDS POLITICAL HORROR

by H. SANTON

My American passport helped me to hide the ties that once existed as I, middle-aged and a quarter of a century later, came back to Austria, where I had spent many wonderful holidays as a boy till Hitler forced me to flee from the country where I was born.

I envied a Canadian fellow-traveller, who measured his own mountains against those of the Salzkammergut, and a couple from New Zealand, who raved about the beautiful architecture of the Old World. Hard as I tried I could not for a moment forget the nightmare which had preceded my hurried departure from the country I had loved so much.

Mozart and his unforgettable music was on the lips of many tourists as I brushed shoulders with them in the narrow streets of Salzburg.

Not even the breath-taking panorama of the Hohensalzburg could deaden the dull pain of melancholy I had felt ever since I set foot again on Austrian soil.

When a guide pointed at the massive Tennengebirge and the nearby Untersberg, my eyes followed his direction mechanically. Legend has it that Kaiser Barbarossa sleeps there till summoned again to lead his people to new glory. Where was he, I wondered, when Europe needed him so badly to stop a maniac from plunging the world into war again?

The physical scars of this conflagration, extensive as they are, heal much quicker than the injuries to the soul, which have the strange habit of bursting unexpectedly wide open like a volcano which had been sleeping peacefully.

I still cannot understand what had changed the Austrians practically overnight, so that 400,000 of them thronged into Vienna's Heldenplatz in 1938 to give Hitler a rousing ovation.

Now, a quarter of a century later and trying hard to forget, these Austrians, apparently urged on by a new sense of destiny, once again embrace the "Gemutlichkeit" that so uniquely indentifies them.

During my visit to Austria I saw many churches, from imposing cathedrals to humble village chapels. In most of them tribute is paid to the fallen sons of both world wars, but I could not find a single plaque anywhere dedicated to the 60,000 Austrian Jews, my father included, gassed in concentration camps.

Such tormenting thoughts went through my mind as I walked through the torture chambers of the famous fortress. When a small boy jokingly tried for size the hand and foot fetters in which prisoners were chained to the walls, I envied them. This innocent child was still too young to see in these silent witnesses of man's inhumanity to man a sad but symbolic link of time. At what age does prejudice and hatred break the spell of immunity children are blessed with?

When I came down from the lofty top overlooking the city it began to drizzle. Indifferent to the light rain which visits Salzburg frequently, I strolled through the beautiful Mirabell Garden. The ornamental flower-beds and the formally trimmed hedges, interspersed by many graceful statues, cannot belie the fact that they, too, had watched brutality and the spectacle of man's rise and fall.

I came to the market-place where farmers, their tiny stalls covered by large umbrellas, still offered their produce to housewives, who expertly checked the firmness of each head of lettuce. Small children in typical leather shorts or the traditional dirndl dresses, were still hanging on to their mothers' skirts as they had done when I was a boy.

A small mountain of goodies, displayed in the old candy shop, brought up sweet memories in more than one way. I bought a generous portion but did not get beyond the first bite because a tiny morsel of nut had lodged itself under my bridge. When I distributed the remaining candy to a group of small children I realised that even my teeth had changed.

Back in the hotel dining-room the orchestra played waltzes and other familiar tunes, and people, happy and content, were enjoying themselves listening to the music, but I was not anxious to share their merriment. With eyes half-closed, I saw mother in front of me, and how proud she was when I danced the waltz with her.

I went to Linz to recapture some of my childhood dreams, but as I stood in the main square, facing the Danube, it was not waltzes my ear seemed to hear, but the fanatical shouts of the townspeople listening to the infamous raving of Germany's madman. Looking back, it is hard to believe how pathetically unaware we Jews had been while Europe was shaking in its very foundation.

Our Jewish community, quite small in number, represented all the factions and splinter groups which characterised European Jewry before the Second World War. As a boy I belonged to a Zionist youth organization. We dreamed about Israel, but were frequently scolded for it by our elders, who thought such behaviour un-Austrian.

Roaming through the streets, I found myself in front of the house where I once had gone to visit my father, imprisoned there by the Gestapo. I recalled Hans, a former classmate of mine, who worked for the Gestapo and who had risked his life to let me see my father for the last time.

I went to visit my old school, where I found a janitor mopping the well-trodden stairs. As he saw me standing undecided in the main lobby, he testily pointed in the direction of the washroom, but I found it too difficult to explain that this was not what I had been looking for.

dramatic move

Vienna, (JCNS) In a dramatic gesture of protest against the acquittal of Franz Novak and other Austrians on war crimes charges, Viennese Jews crowded into the Great Synagogue here last week for a memorial service to the victims of Nazism while outside, non-Jewish Vienna celebrated Austrian Independence Day.

In a biting sermon, the Chief Rabbi, Dr. Akiva Eisenberg, who compared Vienna with the biblical Sodom and Gomorra, said that when Nazis were free to celebrate, Jews could only mourn.

A number of prominent Austrians did not allow the occasion to pass without comment. President Franz Jonas, addressing Parliament, said that the latest acquittals damaged Austira in the eyes of the world and warned that:

"If we do not overcome our past, the past will overcome us."

The Cardinal Archbishop of Vienna, Cardinal Koenig, in broadcast and television addresses, said that the acquittals of people standing trial on war crimes charges were not the fault of the juries, but the result of a mentality typical of great parts of the population.

To some tourists Austria is not all Mozart, Salzburg and the Blue Danube. For Austrian-born Henry Santon, revisiting his native country meant reliving the painful events that robbed him of his youth.

pages from history

THE FIRST JEW ON OUR CONTINENT

by Seymour B. Liebman

A history of the Jews in Mexico from 1521 to the present has never been written in any language. Few have written on any aspect of the life of the Mexican Jews during the colonial period. What little has been written has concentrated upon the life and family of the conquistador and Gobernador, don Louis Carvajal y de la Cueva (1539-1590) and one other Jew, Tomas Trevino de Sobremonte, who was burned alive in the Grand Auto de Fe of April 11, 1649.

The focusing of attention on the Carvajals has obscured the fact that Jews had preceded them into Mexico by 60 years and that Jews have inhabited Mexico uninterruptedly since 1521. Little note has been made of the fact that Jews had been victims of the Inquisition prior to 1590.

Lewin is a Jew who lives in Argentina and who has made studies of the colonial era in Latin America. Mr. Conway, now deceased, was a Christian Canadian who lived and prospered for many years in Mexico. As an avocation, he became a devoted student of the Mexican Inquisition and did a considerable amount of research.

Condensed from Journal of Inter-American Studies

Hernando Alonso, the first Jew to come to Mexico, arrived in 1521. His religious faith was first disclosed publicly in 1528. He accompanied Cortes, was a ship's carpenter and was instrumental in the construction of the thirteen bridges that Cortes needed to attack Cuahtemoc, the last Aztec emperor, in his palace in the middle of Lake Tenochtitlan.

After the defeat of the Aztecs in 1521, Alonso, as one of the conquistadores, was rewarded with the grant of an encomienda. Alonso decided to import and raise cattle, and subsequently prospered rapidly.

Alonso has a double distinction. He was the first Jew to live on the North American continent proper, and he was the first Jew to be burned at the stake there in 1528, seven years after he was rewarded for his work with Cortes. He was not alone in 1528. One other Jew, Gonzalo de Morales, his brother, shared the stake and a third, Diego de Ocana, escaped with a mild punishment since he was reconciled.

There are two principal accounts of his story. One was written in Spanish by Baleslao Lewin as a chapter in his book, Martires y conquistadores judios en la America Hispana. The other is an article by G.R.G. Conway, in the Publications of the American Jewish Historical Society, volume XXXI (1928) entitled, "Hernando Alonso, a Jewish Conquistador with Cortex in Mexico."

Both writers are in accord on the facts of Alonso's life prior to his arrival in Mexico and upon the evidence on which he was convicted for heresy and sentenced to be burned alive at the stake. The major differences lie in the emphasis they place upon the facts. One stresses economics and the other religion.

The charge against Alonso was composed of three counts: 1) that his child was baptized twice, once by a Franciscan friar and then later "according to the ritual of the law of Moses." (It never appeared that the child was ever circumcized. There is no indication of the fate of the child or its mother, who may be presumed to have been a nuevo Cristiano); 2) that he refused to permit his wife to go to church on Sunday to hear Mass (Alonso was heard to say to his wife, "Senora, in your present Condition (menstrual period) thou wouldst profane the Church." To which his wife replied, "These are old ceremonies of the Jews which are not observed now that we have adopted the evangelical grace"); and 3) that many years prior to 1528 someone had peeped through a window and had seen Alonso and a friend take a two-year-old infant, pour water over its head and gather the water which dripped down into a cup and drink it. Herando Alonso confessed to this when threatened with torture on the rack and explained that "it was done in mockery of the sacrament of baptism."

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Arabic Name

Jerusalem (JCNS) - The only official crossing point between the Israeli and Jordan-held parts of Jerusalem, hitherto known in both countries, and to the world, as the Mandelbaum Gate, is to be given another name by the Jordanians.

It is reported that the Governor of the Old City which is in Jordanian hands, Anwar el-Khatib, has accepted a request from its Chamber of Commerce to call it by an Arabic name instead of calling it after a Jew. The crossing point has been known as Mandelbaum Gate since 1948, because the house on the front line which the U.N. chose as its truce headquarters was owned by a Jerusalem haberdasher of that name.

Sermon of the week

MAN AND FELLOW-MAN

The philosophy of Moses is reflected in the manner in which the early chapters of Genesis are presented as history.

Achad Haam, in his essay on Moses, maintained that his greatness lay not in the art of war, for Joshua fought the battles of Israel and not Moses. His genious was not in statesmanship, for it was Aaron who was the spokesman before Pharoah. Nor was he essentially the prescriber of laws, because the lawgiver decrees for his contemporaries and Moses wrote laws for all time.

In what lay his greatness? It was in the way he carried aloft the banner of righteousness. Man's relationship with man was his concern. Man's sin against man was more grievous than man's sin against God.

Genesis, as a record of human affairs, mirrors this emphasis on right human conduct as the basis of civilization. When Adam and Eve sinned against the word of God they were not destroyed. They were banished from a life of plenty and ease to a life of effort and struggle for their own rehabilitation. God not only forgave the sin against Himself, but he was sympathetic towards man's reformation.

Rashi asks (in his commentary on Genesis 11, 9) why the generation of the Dispersion was allowed to survive whilst the generation of the Flood was destroyed. The former challenged the authority of God and wished to replace it by the rule of man, man was to supersede God in human government whilst the generation of the Flood was man's sin against man.

It was robbery, violence and strife between man and man which sealed their fate, declares Rashi. God can forgive the sin against Himself. But where man does not right the wrong against his fellow-man, because of his obstinate refusal to tread the path of righteousness, he takes certain steps towards his own downfall.

The story of Genesis dwells lengthily on the life of Abraham. He became recognised as the founder of Israel's faith, not only because he recognised God as the one universal God, the Father of all mankind; but because he paid respect to the corollary of this principle of belief, that the fatherhood of God implies the brotherhood of man.

He not only built an altar to God, but he also pleaded for the righteous, in Sodom. He pleaded daringly to the "Judge of all the earth" to display the quality of justice. Abraham challenges God in his love for humanity.

Genesis does not gloss over the failings of our ancestors when they act wrongly in their human relationships.

The ruthless and brutal assault on Shechem by Simeon and Levi is not omitted, but is given prominence as an act of cruelty to be condemned by posterity. Their father's fierce denunciation of this act is recorded in the last words of the patriarch Jacob.

The tragedy and savagery of the brothers' treatment of Joseph is told with minute detail. If Genesis were interested only in man's attitude to God, it would have left untold man's inhumanity to man.

A theologian writing recently in the Press described Judaism as a collection of ritualistic formulae. He misunderstands and misinterprets the Old Testament and the teaching of the Rabbis who expounded the Bible, whose thesis has always been that worship of God is shown only through man's regard for fellow-man.

Growing Extremism Among Arabs In Israel

Haifa, (JCNS) A Mapai expert of Arab affairs has warned of developing extremism among Israel's Arabs following recent events inspired by Syria.

The Fatah raids and Israel's restraint are being exploited by extremists among the Arab population, especially in Galilee, Mr. Amnon Linn, head of Mapai's Arab Affairs Department stated. Whereas in the past Israeli Arabs had tended to discount Ahmed Shukairy, and his "Palestine Liberation Committee," the present proliferation of terrorist attacks, for which Shukairy was claiming credit, had created a reevaluation of his position among sections of the Arab population.

However good Israel's reasons for restraint are, these Arabs are fairly convinced that we have failed to retaliate because we are afraid to do so, and it is impossible to convince them that our restraint is a result of political considerations and from a position of strength. Mr. Linn said, "As a result a feeling was taking root that the Syrians were more extreme than Nasser himself, and that 'something may happen':"

These developments have led to the reawakening of thoughts of "self determination for Galilee" in some Arab circles in the area, Mr. Linn stated. He added Rakah, the new Arab-sponsored Communist Party, was, by its activities, encouraging these feelings, and that it was in fact an extreme Arab nationalist party rather than a Communist one.

The Mapai party expert believes that the Government's economic policy is not a factor in these developments because the Arab population in general was less affected by the economic retrenchment than the Jewish community.

The 30,000 Druze community today is commited more than ever to the Jewish State, partly because of the Syrian hostility to the Druze there, and because several Druze have fallen victims to Fatah attacks, Mr. Linn added.

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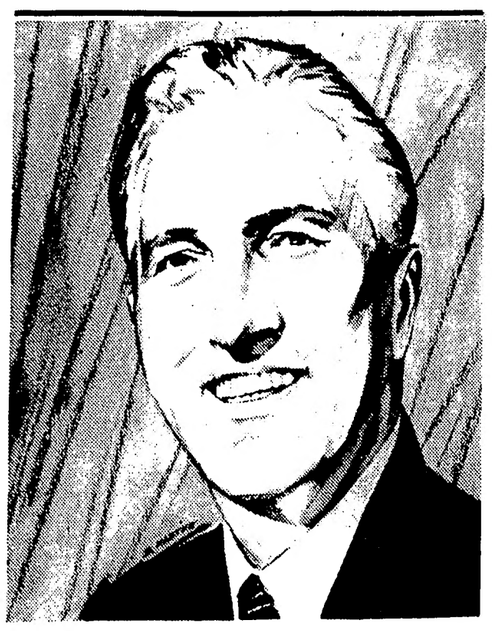

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QUESTION: I am 13. I met a boy at a school dance and he seemed to like me. He told me he was 14 but I found out he was 15. We danced most of the dances together and he walked me home. He said he would call but he never did.

When I pass him in the hall in school, I smile at him but he never says hello. Usually he just turns away. To make matters worse, a girl in his class that I know told him that I like him.

I do like him and I know he likes me, but why does he act this way? Why did he lie to me about his age?

ANSWER: Boys are supposed to take the initiative. They like the feeling of power that this gives them. At the same time, the thought of making the first overture sometimes frightens them. This is because, as you know, it is the girl who has the final say. She can *refuse* the invitation and so reject the boy. Furthermore, the girl could spread the word among his and her friends that she had turned him down.

The fact that a girl has a friend take the message to a particular boy about how much she likes him does not allay these fears. The boy feels that today the girl may talk about how much she likes him, but tomorrow she may spread another tale, a tale that he is mean, inconsiderate, unmannerly, or a bore.

Sometimes, a boy secretly likes to be pursued but doesn't like himself for having such wishes. So, the girl who is running after him (as deep down he wants her to) really chases him away. He may like her, but he doesn't like the feeling she gives him about himself and his manliness.

You are quite right that the message this girl gave the boy for you did not help matters.

On the other hand, his decision not to call you, despite his promise, may be due to his embarrassment about having lied to you. When boys at this stage in their lives lie about their age, they usually make themselves older, not younger. Perhaps because he is almost a year older than most of his classmates, he puts himself in their chronological class so as not to feel inferior or different. Of course this may be due to his birth date, which may have come too late in the school year for him to be admitted earlier. Should this be the fact, it is evidently not convincing enough at this time to make him feel less embarrassed.

Evidently, in addition to telling people how much you like him, you also made inquiries about him and found out about his true age. This scores up a weakness in him, which you can use to your advantage. When you see the chances that he will call you becoming slimmer and slimmer, you can reject him by calling him a liar.

When the right time comes, you will in all probability be popular, be invited out by boys, and have a full social life. But to have all this come true, you ought to stop talking publicly about the boys you like and getting other girls to deliver your messages to them. Don't ask another girl to be your matchmaker. It suggests that she must do for you what you cannot do for yourself.

OTTAWA BRIEFS

NEGEV HONOREE

Myer N. Drazin, for 35 years a community worker, will be honored on December 4th at the 1966 Negev dinner. Proceeds will establish a project in his name in Israel.

ANNIVERSARY TEA

Hillel Lodge for the Elderly celebrated its first anniversary of community service with a tea recently, convened by Mesdames Z. Rill, M. Altow, M. Kizell, N. Wolfe, H. Shoihet. The lodge has 21 full time residents, three day ones, according to Yale Greenberg, director. The women's auxiliary is headed by Mrs. I. Bellis.

GUEST SPEAKERS

David Lewis, NDP, York South, and Harold Brenner of Washington, D.C., assistant national membership director of B'nai B'rith, were guest speakers at the 123rd anniversary meeting of B.B. on October 19th. Members and wives from Cornwall, Kingston and Peterborough lodges attended.

LEGISLATION PREPARED

In response to a query by David Lewis, NDP, York S., in the House of Commons recently, the Prime Minister, Lester Pearson, said that legislation on hate propaganda is being prepared and will be on the order paper within a few days. Mr. Lewis' bill, C-35, had its first reading on January 24th; it is up for second reading.

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1/2 cup flour
2 tsps. baking powder
1/2 tsp. salt
2 eggs
1 cup light brown sugar
1 tblsp. vanilla
1 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup finely chopped apples
1 unbaked 9-inch pie shell

Preheat oven to 450 degs. Mix together flour, baking powder and salt. Beat eggs until light and lemon-colored and gradually beat in sugar until mixture is creamy.

Stir flour mixture, nuts and apples into eggs and mix well. Spoon into pie shell and bake 15 minutes. Lower oven heat to 350 degs. and bake 15 minutes longer or until filling is set.

Cool and serve with whipped cream or ice cream if desired.

KEEP SMILING

THEATER WITH A TWIST

In a little town in Russia during the old Czarist days, word spread that something new had come to Moscow - the theater.

The elders of the town voted to send a representative to see this remarkable feat and report back. If it was as wonderful as they had heard, perhaps they too could set one up in their town.

So Pinya and his driver, Ivan, left for Moscow. Many weeks passed before Pinya returned. Everybody in town gathered at the meeting hall to listen to the report.

Pinya rose and solemnly said: "My friends, I regret to have to report that the whole thing was nothing with nothing. There was a large platform in a big room with many seats. On the platform stood a young man and a young girl. When he wanted, she didn't want; when she wanted, he didn't want. And when they both wanted already, somebody dropped down a big white sheet in front of them!"

SAW THROUGH HIM

The star salesman had one basic fault - he occasionally took one drink too many. But this shortcoming was overlooked since he brought in business.

One morning his wife phoned to say her husband could not come in to work. He slipped on the ice the night before.

Said the boss: "Tell him to take care of himself. By the way, tell him I asked how in the devil he got his big foot into that highball glass!"

TRUER WORDS NEVER SPOKEN

Chaim Weizmann, first president of Israel, visited Harry S. Truman when he was in office. Over lunch, they commiserated with each other about the trials facing the president of a country. Said President Truman: "I know you have many problems, with thousands of new immigrants pouring in. Also, your country is in dire financial straits. But how can your problems compare with mine? You have about two-million people while I have over a hundred and twenty million."

"Ah, Mr. President," sighed Weizmann. "It's true you are the president of one hundred and twenty million people. But remember, I'm president of two million presidents!"

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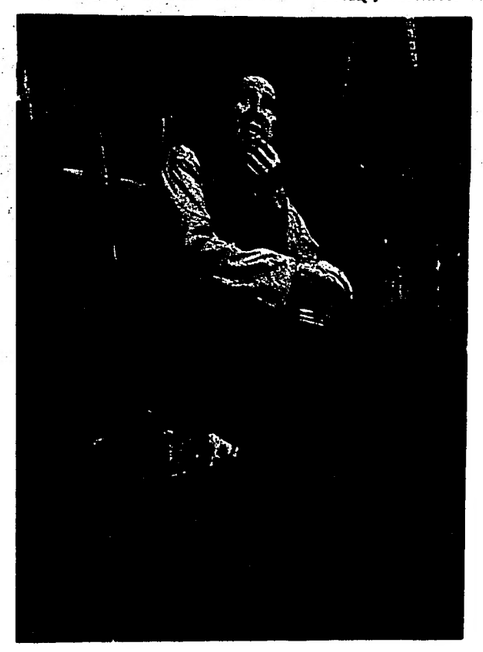

TEVYE THE MILKMAN – Luther Adler in the beloved role of Tevye, in Fiddler on the Roof, based on Sholom Aleichem's stories, now being performed at Toronto's O'Keefe Center.

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THEATRE * MUSIC * FILM

by D. Cohn

* For its big budget western, The War Wagon, starring Kirk Douglas and John Wayne, Universal constructed an 1870 western town outside Durango Mexico, complete with saloons, blacksmith shop and hotel. The Mexican government has asked the company to leave the town standing on the completion of the picture so it can be used as a tourist attraction.

* Recovering from a bout with the flu, director Michael Gordon devised a way of making himself non-infectious in Texas Across the River. He wore a gauze mask while working on the set, taking it off only when he was out of range of the cast and crew.

* Sophia Loren was so impressed with the directional skill of Charles Chaplin, guiding her through her paces with Marlon Brando and Sydney Chaplin in A Countess From Hong Kong, she says she'd work for him even if he asked her to appear in the telephone book.

* Sculptor Henry Moore, whose controversial sculpture, The Archer, graces the ultra-modern front of Toronto's City Hall, is in Israel to attend the Tel Aviv opening of an exhibition of his work. The sculptures and paintings were on display for six weeks at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

* The Oberammergau Passion Play which has been criticized for its alleged anti-semitic content will be presented in the near future in England. The play, about the trial and crucifixion of Jesus, will be performed by its original cast, the amateur actors of the Bavarian village of Oberammergau.

Presentation rights for England and America have been acquired by Nems Enterprises Ltd., of which Brian Epstein, Beatles manager, is managing director.

Intentions are to invite Catholic and Jewish scholars to a committee to consider the English translation and how the story of the play should be interpreted. Contacting Chief Rabbi Dr. Jakobovits is being considered, but if not available, he may be asked to nominate another scholar.

* The next Israeli representative to the Miss World contest of 1966 is seventeen-year-old Segoula Gohar from Bat Yam, who is an orphan. Miss Gohar, whose vital statistics are 36-24-36, is a clerk and speaks Hebrew, English and Arabic; she also sings and dances. She has six brothers and her ambition is simply to be a housewife and raise a family of her own.

* According to reports from recent visitors to the Soviet Union, Nahama Lifshits, a leading Russian Jewish folk singer, is being prevented from giving recitals. She has been criticized for being "too nationalistic" in her performances and she was attacked for this some time ago in the journal, Sovietskaya Bielorussia.

Until about six months ago, Miss Lifshits appeared fairly regularly. But lately no mention has been made of her in the Soviet press where her performances usually are noticed.

* Can success spoil a professional failure? Woody Allen still is managing to maintain his stance as a classic fall guy despite the encroachment of fame and fortune. The gangling comedian, whose stories of his inadequacies and rejections have carried him in five years from the obscurity which inspired much of his material to stardom in films, television and nightclubs, attests that his experiences with stars is just as disastrous as his earlier attempts as acceptance as a child, an N.Y.U. student and a youthful husband.

"I fall with a better class of women now", he says, "but my problems are the same. I may have more money than I used to, but I'm just as afraid of getting robbed, beaten or attacked."

Woody likes a "big room better than a small room because I can be more nervous and the audience doesn't see it."

* Besides playing Tevye in Fiddler on the Roof, on Broadway, Herschel Bernardi, the star, (Tevye is being played coming week at Toronto's O'Keefe Center by Luther Adler) was busy painting - the faces of Adam Bernardi, 8, and Noah Sorkin, 9, playmates, who were going off to trick or treat on behalf of UNICEF; it was Halloween.

This week Bernardi starts his second year as the well-known milkman in Sholom Aleichem's play, which makes the longest-lived Tevye in the New York production - 49 weeks in all. (Zero Mostel did 45.)

Says Herschel: "It's a great strain, this part. I guess the body just gets tired. The first act is terribly physical, all that dancing, hollering and screaming, especially in the nightmare scene. The second act starts easy and you're thankful, but then it gets emotionally exhausting. Altogether, I'm off the stage only eight minutes out of three hours."

Bernardi reflects and says he was panic stricken in the role following Mostel. But now he thinks he's got Tevye 85 percent his. Three times a week he takes singing lessons and learns to project his voice properly and reduce the strain to a minimum. Explains Bernardi, "I wasn't a singer. I used to belt my songs. I couldn't speak at all. Now the voice is coming in." He is developing a repertory of songs.

THE EPICURE NEIGHBOR offers a strange canape, in one of the most laughable scenes in BAREFOOT IN THE PARK. Woody Romoff, Pamela Grey, Sylvia Sidney, who appear in Neil Simon's comedy at Toronto's Royal Alex, November 21 - 26.

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FIDDLER . . . SUCCESS EVERYWHERE

Fiddler on the Roof, starring Luther Adler (Paul Lipson, matinees), is playing to a capacity filled O'Keefe Center. Other companies, presenting the musical based on Sholom Aleichem's stories are performing, or will be performing, in England, Finland, Israel, Australia, France, the Netherlands, West Germany, Japan, Sweden, Denmark and Belgium. It is the most successful show since, My Fair Lady.

Fiddler on the Roof was selected as the best musical of the year by the New York Drama Critics' Circle; received nine Tony awards from the American Theater Wing, the National Catholic Theater Conference Award, and the Page One Newspaper Guild Award as best musical.

LAST OF SERIES

Richard Brinsley Sheridan's witty classic, The School for Scandal, is the third bill performed by the AFA Repertory Company at the Royal Alexandra Theater, through Sunday matinee, November 13th. It has been directed by Ellis Rabb. Scenery was designed by James Tilton; costumes by Nancy Potts; lighting by Gilbert V. Hemsley, Jr.

THE FLIES A SUCCESS

Upstairs Theatre Foundation's presentation of Jean Paul Sartre's The Flies is being shown to a full house each night at Central Library Theater. Director Adam Ludwig's interpretation has been the most exciting thing on the theater horizon this fall.

Tony Miller, who plays the role of Zeus, has had a background of six years in English repertory theater; he also played Shakespears at the Old Vic with Sir Tyrone Guthrie. His films include A Yank at Oxford, They Came by Night, The Three Weird Sisters, Cardboard Cavalier. He has performed in Canada since 1953.

BENN EXHIBIT

A private exhibition of the works of the well known artist, Benn, will be presented tonight and tomorrow, November 11th and 12th, at the Park Plaza.

Born in 1905 in Bialyst, Benn already was considered a "painter" by his classmates, at the age of five; at 22, he had his first exhibition in Vilna. In 1930 he emigrated to Paris where he met his wife and has lived ever since. His works are in the tradition of Bonnard, Buillard and other masters of a past generation. His interpretation of verses from the Bible has been willed to galleries in Israel and France.

NEW CANADIAN THEATRE PRESENTATION

The New Canadian Theatre will present, Five Posts in the Market Place, by Lithuanian-born Algirdas Landsbergis, at Central Library Theater, November 30th through December 18th.

Landsbergis was born in 1924. He spent the post-war years in Germany as a refugee. In 1949 he emigrated to the United States where he completed a graduate course in comparative literature at Columbia University. Presently he lives in New York and teaches at Farleigh Dickinson University, New Jersey. Five Posts in the Market Place was his first play in English.

GREAT ARTIST PERFORMS

Jose Iturbi, eminent pianist and symphony orchestra conductor, will perform coming Sunday, November 13th, 3:00 p.m., at Massey Hall.

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Iturbi is presented in Toronto by K.F. Sanjana.

LENNICKS' REPERTOIRE

Even though Sylvia and Ben Lennick are performing the American Dream, and, The Collection every night at the Hydro Theater before an appreciative audience, they already are lining up their forthcoming presentations which should be just as satisfying as their present production: Chekhov's Uncle Vanya; Brecht on Brecht; William Schnyder's The Days; Nights of Bebe Fenestermaker; The Beauty Part by S.J. Perelman; an original Canadian revue. Jack Merigold is the talented director.

NELLY SACHS TO VISIT ISRAEL

Haifa, (JCNS) Nelly Sachs, the Jewish poetess who shared the Nobel Prize for literature with Shmuel Josef Agnon, is very excited at the prospect of visiting Israel next spring, she has written to Mr. Meir Ayali, the headmaster of the regional high school at Kibbutz Yifat with whom she corresponds. Mr. Ayali has translated some of Miss Sachs' poems into Hebrew.

HANNA AHARONI

Miss Hanna Aharoni, one of the world's singing stars, will be the guest entertainer when Hadassah and the State of Israel Bonds join in a tribute to Mrs. Morris (Betty) Zweig on Thursday evening, November 17th, at Holy Blossom Temple.

Miss Aharoni is among the most spectacular singers to be discovered in the past decade by the international concert audience. She has sung all over the world and is now equalling her foreign successes in America.

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SISTERHOOD MEET

Sisterhood general meeting of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda will take place on Monday evening, November 21st, in the Brotherhood Hall.

ANNOUNCING MARRIAGE

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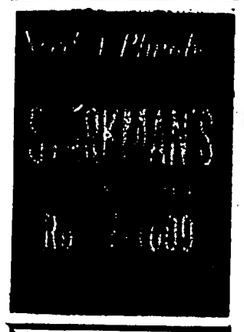

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For the women of Toronto, the annual Israel Bond Fashion Show has firmly established itself as THE event of the season. This year's presentation will surpass them all for glamor and elegance, enhanced by the appearance of Miss Dorothy Sarnoff, Metropolitan Opera star, as guest commentator.

The highlight of the evening will undoubtedly be the selection of one lucky lady to take a round trip, first class trip to Italy and Israel.

The 53-piece collection includes designs by such famous couturiers as Lola Beer, Finy Leitersdorf, the gifted young Gideon Oberson and Shafir-Talmor. Maskit, Israel's celebrated village crafts industries, will be represented along with furriers Stefan Braun and Eliahu Neulander.

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HELD MEET

A general meeting of Rho Pi Phi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, Rokeah Chapter, Ladies' Auxiliary, was held recently. Mrs. Gladys Jolly of the Metropolitan Toronto Police, Youth Division, was guest speaker. Sixty ladies were present.

Last Sunday the group held its annual Awards Night in honor of the man and lady of the chapter who has done the most for the fraternity through the years. This year's honorees are Mr. and Mrs. Max Kassel.

The Supreme Council Scholarship will be presented to Marvyn Lubek and Joseph Sinelnick; Rho Pi Phi Memorial Award to B.D. Ray, for highest scholastic average, 2nd year, Faculty of Pharmacy.

BOARD MEETING

A recent board meeting of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood was chaired by Mrs. M. Okrent, president. Minutes were read by Mrs. H. Nissenbaum. The following presented reports: Mrs. H. Cherlon, sunshine; Mrs. A. Martin, school; Mrs. H. Wax, budget; Mrs. M. Clairfield, Israel Bonds; Mrs. Y. Pltokin, youth; Mrs. I. Cooper, bazaar.

TEA

Eitz Chaim Schools recently held its annual tea. Conveners were Mesdames H. Fishbane, Y. Feldman, I. Rubenstein. Tea committee consisted of Mesdames W. Menzelefsky, R. Simon, P. Kopstick, C. Schmertz. Entertainment was featured. Door prizes were won by Mesdames S. Woolfe, H. Ganz, Stern, Sussman, Rosenthal, Burnley, Weltman.

BAZAAR CHAIRLADIES

At the Beth Am bazaar, chairladies were: Mrs. Florence Goldenberg, bazaar chairlady; Mrs. Dorothy Green, fundraising chairlady; Mrs. Molly Klein, ways and means; Mrs. Esther Spring, Sisterhood president; Mrs. Corky Rosen, publicity.

GENERAL MEET

Last Tuesday B'nai Israel Beth David Sisterhood held a general meeting. Program was, Prejudice and Discrimination. A group of Canadian women representing the points of view of the Negro, Catholic and Protestant was presented. Mrs. Ben Kramer is program chairman. Mrs. Sam Shulman, president, chaired the meeting.

BOARD MET

Beth El Sisterhood held a board meeting last week at the home of Mrs. Irwin Gollish. Plans were made for a tupperware party at the synagogue on Tuesday evening, November 22nd; proceeds to Beth El Hebrew and Religious schools.

Mrs. Ernest Skrow is social chairman of the forthcoming Hanuka dance.

At the general meeting held November 8th, Rabbi David Powel, executive director of the anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in Canada, discussed: Is The World Really Jewish.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

B'nai B'rith Women of Toronto are staging a membership campaign. A Centennial Chapter is being planned for Toronto. Mrs. Al Worth is membership campaign chairman.

Injure three children

Rabat, Morocco (JCNS) - Moroccan police are making inquiries into a shooting incident on the Casablanca-Agadir road, near Safi, south of here, in which three Jewish children were injured by rifle bullets.

M. Mardochee Kanone, of Casablanca, was driving along the road with the three children, when somebody in a car parked on the other side of the road opened fire with a rifle and then drove off at high speed. M. Kanone was uninjured and managed to take the number of the other car.

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A HOLIDAY, SOMEBODY?

BY RUTHIE

Want a holiday? Well, even if you can arrange it, if you haven't made plane reservations at least a year ago, you may as well abandon the idea. Because it's only seven weeks to the winter holidays and even standing room on any plane isn't available.

They complain prices are too high, and who can cope with the present standard of living? Huh! Looking at all the people going on vacation and for whom the sky's the limit, I wish a tiny bit of their affluence rubbed off on me. Not that I begrudge them, God forbid. But it would be nice to see how the other three-quarters live.

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Ah, when my babies were born! That was a holiday. Cheap too. Hospitalization, P.S.I.

Alright, so there is the basic cost. But that's incidental. The point is, if you're having a baby, you may as well make the most of it.

Naturally the process of giving birth is no picnic, to say the least. But once that particular function is over, you can lie back and relax.

After all, for as long as you're in hospital, you don't make the formulas, you don't bathe the baby, you're not disturbed when it cries. In fact, you don't do anything but try to look like Cleopatra in a horizontal position. Then when you can get out of bed, you pretty yourself up, go visit the girls on the floor, swap experiences and discuss what's on the menu.

Of course, you manage to be in bed when your husband visits. You try to look wan — after all, you did produce a replica of him — and in general make him feel what a heel he is; you almost sacrificed your life because he wanted to be a father. (At this point, you don't consider that you wanted to be a mother.)

Every bit of play-acting is worth the present you'll wangle out of him in gratitude. Because, as far as you're both concerned, until you two came along, there never was a mom and pop.

So that's bad? So you have a bit of pain. You have to suffer some inconvenience in such a nice, little racket.

Trouble is, the idyl ends too soon.

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When I had my first baby, on the eve of World War II (so it dates me, want to make something of it?), maternity patients remained in the hospital for ten days. Think of it! Ten days of bliss. Why, you began to turn around in bed after about five days. And when you sat up, you felt as though you were on a merry-go-round. And you **krekhst** (groaned) so much. You never had it so good. The only distasteful thing was the daily enema, you should excuse the expression.

During World War II, you had eight days in the hospital. I know, I was there. **Nu**, so alright, it wasn't so bad yet.

But afterwards — and that I know from experience too — they threw you out after five days. There was a shortage of beds. You took home your baby girl. If you had a boy, you left him till after the **brith** (circumcision).

And you felt someone did you dirty. Just when you were relaxed and beginning to know your neighbor, you were literally thrown out.

The nurses were so unsympathetic. The second day, you had to get off the bed to wash. Even if you crawled, no one bothered with you. You didn't even dangle; you walked, holding onto the wall.

All of a sudden, though, on the third day you felt strong enough to assist your doctor.

There was only one hitch — your husband. You tried so hard to look half-dead and you couldn't even wring a drop of sympathy out of him. Because by this time he was used to the routine and anyway he had enough on his hands at home with the kids.

So where else would he be? You cleverly timed the whole thing to coincide with his vacation.

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toronto synagogue news

TORAH CLASSES

Torah classes at the new Shomrai Shabbos Congregation are in session. They are conducted by Rabbi G. Felder, spiritual leader of the synagogue.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Brotherhood Breakfast Club of Holy Blossom Temple will present a panel discussion on Sunday morning, November 13th. Topic: Current Labor Unrest. Panelists are Professor Arthur Kruger, Gower Markle, Max E. Enkin, O.B.E.; moderator, Professor Noah Meltz. Dr. Larry Hausman is chairman.

MIZRACHI MELAVA MALKA

Dr. Nahum L. Rabinovitch Rabbi of Clanton Park Synagogue, Downsview, and Professor of Mathematics at the University of Toronto, has consented to address the Rosh Hodesh celebration of Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi.

Dr. Rabinovitch, who recently has returned from a special study mission in South Africa, will report on his trip.

The celebration will be a feature of the Melava Malka this Saturday evening, 8:30 p.m., at the Zionist Religious Center, 86 Vaughan Road.

DIALOGUE

A dialogue and seminar on Jewish-Christian relations was held at St. James-Islington United Church and presented by Prof. Mark R. MacGuigan, Carl K. Keyfetz, Q.C., and Prof. H. Ralph Rice.

ATID MET

On Wednesday, November 2nd, B'nai Israel Beth David ATID group held its opening meeting. Program featured: Should We Form Our Own Ghettos? Participants were Marshall Green and Kenneth Cohen; Rabbi Albert Pappenheim was moderator.

Following were elected for the year: Cyril Troster, president; Sharon Cohen and Ruth Gertzbein, vice presidents; Murray Title, secretary-treasurer. Ruth Gertzbain coordinated the meeting.

FIRST CLASS

The Talmud Class of B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue held its first session recently. It was led by Rabbi Albert Pappenheim.

VISITOR

On Monday, November 7th, members of the Church of the Ascension Anglican Church, Don Mills, visited B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue.

ADULT STUDIES INSTITUTE

The Institute for Continuing Adult Studies of Hebrew Men of England Congregation held its opening session on November 2nd under the auspices of Sisterhood. Mrs. Melvin L. Libman will instruct a class of beginners' Hebrew.

Evening session commences coming week, Wednesday evening, through December 14th, 8:30 p.m. Courses are: Synagogue skills, Cantor David Bercovici; Talmud, using the new El Am translation, Rabbi Leonard Bercowitz; Tradition and Change, Rabbi Melvin L. Libman; Beginners' Hebrew, Mr. Moshe Afriat.

Hebrew speaking groups and Sunday evening home study groups are held.

INSTALLATION

Annual installation-dinner dance of Hebrew Men of England Congregation will take place Sunday, December 4th. Joseph Bookbinder is chairman. Committee: Mesdames Harold Fishbein, Harry Tobe, Marvin Ungerman; Messrs. Moe Mandel, William Zosky, Harry Saffer, Leo Back.

SHAAREI TEFILLAH IS HONOURED

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation of Toronto has been named the recipient of the 1966 Charter of Honor Award of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, according to an announcement in New York by Moses I. Feuerstein, national president of the organization.

The Award, which is given by the UOJCA to synagogues contributing significantly to the strengthening of the orthodox Jewish life in their communities, will be presented at the organization's 68th Anniversary National Biennial Convention to be held at the Shoreham hotel in Washington, D.C.

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, which is located at 3600 Bathurst St., in Toronto was founded in 1951. Rabbi Bernard Rosensweig is spiritual leader and Jack Ross is president of the congregation.

DR. SCHACHTER IN TORONTO

Rabbi Zalman Schachter who is the head of the department of Judaic Studies at the University of Manitoba will be the guest of two congregations in North York: B'nai Israel Beth David and Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda on the weekend of November 18-20.

His speaking program: At B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., Downsview: Friday Evening, Nov. 18: "Can Religion reach modern man?" at evening Service and Oneg Shabbat.

Saturday morning, Nov. 19, "Psychology of Prayer".

At Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St., Downsview: Saturday afternoon, November 19 at 4 p.m.: Youth Symposium; Saturday evening, Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m: U.S.Y. City wide evening with Zalman Schachter.

Sunday morning, Nov. 20 at 9:30 a.m. : "The Life and works of S. J. Agnon: 1966 Nobel Prize winner in Literature"; at Brotherhood Service and Breakfast.

Sunday evening, Nov. 20 at 8:30 p.m. : "Hasidism, a faith for the contemporary Jew?" at public lecture.

Avraham Hacohen, mayor of the Galilian town in Israel from 1955 to 1965, will be the guest of honour at the Annual Conference of the Israel Histadrut Campaign this Sunday, November 13th.

Mr. Hacohen settled in the Land of Israel in 1929. He joined the Palestine unit of the British Army in 1942, and fought in the North African and Italian campaigns. While in Italy, he helped organize Jewish immigration from that country to Israel. At the end of the Second World War, he became a commander in the Haganah. He later was elected a member of the General Council of Histadrut and Central Committee.

TV ANTENNAS FOR BIRDS: CABLE TV FOR PEOPLE

In last week's edition under the heading "TV VIEWERS, COMPANY SOLVES MOST DIFFICULT PROBLEM" we published a story reporting the coming of CABLE TELEVISION to the North Toronto and Forest Hill areas. We, unfortunately made an error in the rates quoted for this service. As per the company advertisement which appeared in the same issue the rates are $3.95 per month plus $1.00 additional for each extra outlet required. There is no installation charge.

Residents of Forest Hill will be pleased to know that the company reports service will be available early in December. The York Mills area is expected to have service in the next few days, Lawrence Park and other areas will follow.

Israeli Company Wins Contract

Tel Aviv, (JCNS) - A $15 million contract to build a 160-foot high dam wall near Shiraz, southern Iran, has been won by Vered, a subsidiary of Mekorot, the Israeli water company. The work is expected to take four years to complete.

Vered has also announced that it has received a $2,100,000 contract to lay a 120-mile road in Kenya and to raise the height of a dam wall there.

DIRECT FROM BONN

Liberals Concerned About Neo-Nazi Progress

Bonn, West Germany - (Special) - The relative election victory of the German neo-Nazi "National Democratic Party" (NDP) in the state (province) of Hesse, last Sunday, has been declared "the beginning of the end" of the Bonn democracy by diplomatic observers here. Liberal and Socialist leaders do not hide their fear of the "recurrence of German political stupidity", as one commentator said.

Liberal personalities in all parties do not hide their amazement and shock, at the Hesse election results in which West Germany's extreme right-wing National Democratic party made a startling show of strength.

The party, which the West German Interior Ministry has described as "neo-Nazi" won 8 of 96 seats in Hesse's state parliament. It will be the first time that the National Democrats have been elected above the local level.

The Hesse election had been expected to help point the way out of a government crisis caused when the Free Democratic party left Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's Cabinet coalition on Oct. 27. Now it appears that the political confusion in Bonn will be deepened.

Leaders of the National Democrats have denied that their party has Nazi affiliations or sympathies. The national deputy chairman of the party, Adolf von Thadden, declared the election results showed that Hesse's voters had not been influenced by the "unfactual baiting" of his party.

However, the Interior Ministry has called it "a neo-Nazi party hiding beneath a democratic facade". A report published recently by the ministry charged that at least 1,200 of the party's members were former members of the Nazi party - properly the National Socialist party - and that many of them were once high Nazi functionaries.

Many explanations were put forward for the unexpected gains by the right-wing group. A number of observers, including Herbert Wehner, deputy chairman of the Social Democrats, asserted that a growing number of Germans were disheartened by the apparent inability of Bonn to solve its political difficulties through the established democratic machinery.

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Conway, an engineer, entrepreneur and a person of means, was interested in Alonso's position in the commercial and political community. He wrote that Alonso's name appears with frequency in the municipal archives of Mexico City between March, 1524, and March, 1528, with regard to the bidding for the contract to supply meat for the city. Conway was obviously impressed by the fact that the first Jew became the wholesale supplier of beef and pork for the city. He reports the keen business rivalry between the Jew and others in the community. Conway narrates that, when there was a question of Alonso's bid's being the lowest, adjustments were made by the city fathers or new bids were called for, with the result that Alonso usually secured the contract. It is obvious that he was friendly with the members of the City Council and the acting governor of Nueva Espana, Alonso de Estrada.

Conway makes no comment on the interpretation of the Mosaic or Jewish laws that may have been involved. He completely ignores obvious religious contradictions as touched upon by Lewin and apparently had little knowledge of Jewish customs and ritual.

With respect to the last of the three charges, Lewin adds that the witness heard Alonso and his friend singing a psalm that referred to Israel's Lord God of Egypt, "o una cosa de esta manera." In fact, Lewin slightly gilds the lily by saying that it was likely that the song heard was Psalm 114, which is part of the Hallel (Hymns of Glory) recited by Jews in the synagogue on holy days. Lewin contends that the evidence was a mixture of fact and myth. He says that the second baptism and the dripping of water was to erase the effects of the Christian baptismal rites.

Lewin rightly asserts that Alonso was possessed of little knowledge of Jewish law since he equated a Christian place of worship with a Jewish house of prayer. There is no proscription on Christian women going to Church during the period of their "uncleanliness". The complete absence of anything Jewish, such as prayer and other ritual, in Alonso's life makes paradoxical his concern for the religious sanctity of his faith. This and similar comments and observations are absent in Conway's account.

Conway and Lewin wrote more than four hundred years after the events occurred. Each saw the identical reports of the summary of the evidence before the Inquisitor. The image that each created and the emphasis placed on the facts, however, differ according to their background, ethnic interests, and religion. Coincidentally, each ignored the historical background of the 1520's in Mexico.

Conway presents the inference that the motivation for the charges against Alonso stemmed from unsuccessful business rivals. Since they could not underbid him or replace him in the favor of the City Council, they resorted to the use of the Inquisition to dispose of him. Nowhere in Lewin's chapter can there be found anything that might hint at causes for the Inquisitor to have suspected Hernando Alonso of heresy against the Catholic faith.

Both Conway and Lewin have ignored, in their respective writings, a plausible motivation for initiation of the prosecution of the Jew which supplies a third important aspect to the affair. By 1525, the struggle for power had begun between secular society, including representatives of the Spanish Crown, and the Church. Later, it was to become a struggle between the Dominican Order against the array of society, the secular clergy, and the Jesuits, Franciscans, etc.

Cortes conquered Mexico for the Spanish King and the Church. He sought more than territory, riches, and the subjugation of the autochthonous population. He insisted upon the destruction of their idols and their conversion to Christianity, even if he had to kill hundreds of thousands in the attempt. If credence is to be given to contemporary accounts, Cortes was most zealous for the Church. His troops were battle-scarred warriors who sought the sanctity of religious rites when in danger and in the first moments of victory, when the reality of danger still lingered. In normal times, they caroused, drank, gambled, and debauched as did all mercenaries since time immemorial. These were not men seeking the salvation of Indian souls.

Those who decided to remain in Mexico were rewarded in a fashion similar to that of Hernando Alonso. Many became landowners and constituted the first society in the New World. They did not regard those who followed them as equals. They never forgot that they were the conquering heroes. They did not change their innate character because they had become people of substance. Their wives were Indians, and their servants and slaves were Indians. The entry of each into his own home was regal and constituted a reminder of the great military feat in which he had participated. The subservience of their spouses and households continued to inflate their egos. The early years in Mexico have been termed "Gangster Interlude."

They could not and did not forget that they were Spaniards and white. The adulation of the defeated was not sufficient; they had to impress the newcomers from Spain. Victory had not given them learning or manners, and they were still uncouth. They were still profane in their language and crude in their expression. They could not discard their habits. The utterance of the Lord's name as part of curses and imprecations was a common practice. They gave no heed to the admonition that this constituted violation of the Ten Commandments and Church dogma.

The Church Fathers, and in particular the Dominicans, sought to establish their hegemony. The Dominicans succeeded in having one of their own, Fr. San Vicente de Maria, sent to Mexico in 1528 to act in all matters against the Faith as well as to establish the first monasteries.

In the Middle Ages, the Church sought secular as well as spiritual power. Cortes's company took orders from no one except Cortes himself. Many of his men were hailed before the Church on charges of blasphemy and other sinful acts. While Cortes was in Mexico, punishment of his men was mild, but he returned to Spain in May, 1528, to air certain of his own grievances before the King.

One can find a meaningful coincidence between the approximate time of Cortes's departure and the burning of Alonso. Alonso was the most vulnerable of Cortes's company. No one could come to his defense because of his faith. It is likely that the Church took advantage of Cortes's involvement in his own affairs or departure to strike a blow at the practical inviolability of the conquistadores that had existed until then. While others could escape with a small penance or insignificant fines, he who was a Jew might not have enjoyed even the protection of his former comrades-in-arms. To be a Jew was to be the worst form of heretic prior to the advent of Protestantism. More specifically, to be a Jew in Mexico in 1528 was to have been present in violation of the Royal Decree, forbidding Jews or Moors or even their descendants from being in Nueva Espana.

The versions of Conway and Lewin are probably correct as far as they went. They merely did not reckon with the historical background of the times.